



# HAWK HEADLINER

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## Principal's Page: HIGHLIGHTING THE HIGHLIGHTS!

Each year, as principals, we are asked to highlight our schools accomplishments for the year for the board of education. This information in the past has been shared at a celebration of successes for our school district.



- We initiated a new math text that challenges even our top math students.

- We continued to implement the "6 + 1 Traits" writing program. This develops skills in voice, word choice, ideas, organi-

zation, sentence fluency and conventions.

For us this year, there have been many successes. I would like to take this opportunity to share some of those with you at this time.

- Our first full year of a junior high program was completed with outstanding success.
- In addition, our seventh and eighth graders have provided an amazing number of hours of service to Friendly Hills.
- We continued to provide family reading night, family math night, science fair and the writing celebration.

- We added new playground equipment to the kindergarten area as well as our first patch of grass.
- We now have 5 computers in each 4th through 8th grade class as well as an outstanding computer lab.

I could go on, but as you can see it has been a very successful year. Thank you for all the support you give that has led to these accomplishments.

Check out our new website, Pg 4

## Dates of interest:

- 5/1 Volunteer Appreciation
- 5/14 Day of the Teacher
- 5/18 Classified Employees Week
- 5/26 Memorial Day Holiday
- 6/4 Awards Assemblies
- 6/5-6/6 Walk Through History
- 6/6 Staff vs. 6th Basketball
- 6/10 8th Gr. Promotion
- 6/12 Last Day of School  
Kindergarten Promotion 11:45  
6th Grade Promotion 1:30
- 7/14 Summer School begins



## ARE YOU RETURNING?

As you are aware, the last day of school is Thursday, June 12th. For some of you this may be your last day with us, as you are moving. We want to say goodbye to each of our students, so please let us know by returning the form that was sent home to you regarding this. While some of you may be anxious for this move or a summer vacation, the last days of school are as important as the first to your child's education. So just as our teachers are working hard, kudos to you and your child for staying and working until the last day of school.

*Those who bring  
sunshine to the  
lives of others  
cannot keep it  
from themselves.*



### The End of the Year is Drawing Near...

Eighth Grade Promotion - Tuesday, June 10 @ 5:00 pm  
Kindergarten Promotion - Thursday, June 12 @ 11:45 am  
Sixth Grade Promotion - Thursday, June 12 @ 1:30 pm

Last Day of School - Thursday, June 12, 2003

Check the May and June calendars in this newsletter for other important dates and activities.

## April Library News...

As we wind down the school year, we never wind down our excitement of reading. We're gearing up for the community summer reading program being sponsored by the Town of Yucca Valley. Linda, the public librarian, will be visiting with us during the month of May. She'll be talking about the summer reading program available to all children of the Morongo Basin. There are so many awesome books for summer reading...be sure you take the time to stop by the public library or bookstore this summer and pick up some adventures.

Also, be sure that all your Friendly Hills library books are turned in or your library debts paid before the end of the school year.

**Please take care of all cafeteria debts before the end of the school year. Reminder -- there are no "borrows" the last three weeks of school.** Be sure that your child either brings a lunch or lunch money to school everyday. Also, any unpaid balances will be held over for the following year, so please end this year on a zero balance. It will be appreciated.



### Paddington's Pals for the month of April:

Paige Anderson	Mrs. Mitz's 1st grade
Pruet Prapakonpipat	Mrs. Bernardini's 2nd grade
Clayton Utley	Mrs. Tilson's 3rd grade
Michael Hernandez	Mrs. Friedman's 4th grade
Amelia Blum	Mr. Chambless's 5th grade
Shanteal Nazario-Gaffney	Mrs. Strader's 6th grade

Keep on reading! Paddington is so proud!

*Mrs. Xi*

## FRIENDLY HILLS ELEMENTARY ASSOCIATION

The Friendly Hills Elementary Association each year elects new members to serve as officers of this important organization. Officers include President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. F.H.E.A. would welcome individuals who are interested in serving in one of the above positions or would just like to be a willing "worker bee". We have an energetic group of parents this year who have worked diligently to develop new programs for our children. They really need your help to keep all of these exciting ideas growing. Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m.

As a sign of how dedicated and hard working this group is, they are working right up to the end of the year. Popcorn sales are still going strong every other Friday, thanks to a couple of our dedicated parents. The Spring Book Fair will be open from May 12-16, in conjunction

with the annual Writing Celebration on May 15. There will be many choice reading materials for all age levels. The Book Fair is open everyday before and after school, as well as the evening of May 15. Please plan on joining us with your children for this fun event. Hopefully, by the time you read this newsletter, we will know the results of the Common Threads T-shirt fundraiser, as well.

While this year's programs may be coming to an end, we are just gearing up for next year. Now is a great time to plan to get involved in supporting your child's education program by becoming an active member in FHEA.



## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION....



Kindergarten registration is upon us. If you have a child attending kindergarten next year, stop by the office anytime during regular hours to pick up an enrollment packet. At that time, an appointment will be scheduled for you to return and complete the enrollment process. Appointments will be made for the following days: May 14, 19 and 22. To be eligible to attend kindergarten for the 2003-2004 school year, your child must turn 5 years old on or before December 2, 2003.

## SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer is fast approaching and with it an opportunity for some students. Summer school will be held at Yucca Valley Elementary School this year. Buses will be available at selected bus stops to transport students there. Your child's teacher may soon be sending home a form if he/she is recommending summer school for your



child. Summer school will be held for 16 days beginning Monday, July 14 (please note that this is in the middle of the summer this year). Confirmation information will be sent to you as we get a little closer to summer school opening day. If you have concerns regarding summer school for your child, please contact his/her teacher.

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*Friendly Hills is dedicated to ensuring that students acquire the necessary skills to be high achievers, exemplary citizens and life long, self motivated learners.*

**Look for our school  
web page at  
[Http://fhcs.  
morongousd.com](http://fhcs.morongousd.com)**

## Our Story

*Friendly Hills School was founded in 1988 as part of the Morongo Unified School District. Since it's inception, the school has been instrumental in the education of more than 4000 students. Our first kindergarten class graduated from high school in the year 2000. We are confident that that class, and all who will follow, leave this school with a strong well rounded education. Our tradition has been one of academic excellence, high student expectations and an education rich in the arts. As we move into the future, Friendly Hills continues to lead in these areas as well as emerging as an innovator in the area of technology. We attribute our success to a talented, dedicated staff, caring parents and wonderful students.*

## SCHOOL BASED MANAGEMENT COUNCIL NEWS

The School Based Management Council is a decision making body within the school.

*Each year new parent members come onto our*

*School Based*

*Management Council.*

*If you would like the chance to be a part of this group, please*

*contact Mr. Blanding*

This committee puts together a Site Based Plan each year that outlines how money for special programs will be spent. It is made up of an equal number of parents and staff.



During the upcoming month, we will be meeting to finish our single plan for school achievement. Your feedback from the surveys that were sent home will be used to help us in our planning and goal setting.

This plan sets out achievement goals that guide our purchasing, program implementation and decisions. It is a critical document that is used throughout the year.

A special thanks to all of those who have participated on this committee during this year.

Friendly Hills School

# Honor Roll

3rd Quarter

Mr. Bogner (Gr. 6)

Scott Bogner  
Brittany Bostic  
Sean Dittmer  
Ryan Fleischman  
Kelsey Frasher  
Marialena Martinez  
Sarah Reed

Mr. Chambless (Gr. 5)

Lloyd Clark  
Kaitlyn Miller  
Taylor Russell  
Marissa Salomon  
Breanna Schoenfeldt

Mrs. Dempsey (Gr. 4)

Lexie McNamee

Mrs. Friedman (Gr. 4)

Ryan Bishop  
Krista Blevins  
Grace Bogner  
Frederick Compton  
Jenna Fisher  
Ryan Giffin  
Brent Heller  
Brittany Hocker  
Sarah Mummey  
Michael Sanchez

Mrs. Reed (Gr. 5)

Nick Aguilar  
Tatiana Alonso  
Shelby Blair  
Suzanne Chambless  
Lucas Cushman  
Justin Howell  
Michael Korcha  
Priscilla Richards  
Renee Robertson  
Cody Rosselli  
Sierra Smith  
Tim Zarki

Mrs. Strader (Gr. 6)

Peter Gorwin  
Nathaniel McPherson  
Cheyenne Westlake



# perfect Attendance

## 3rd Quarter

### Mrs. Bernardini (2)

Nicholas Cushman  
Jordan Fisher  
Sarah Fleischman  
Ranee Langle  
Dylan Masterson  
James Robertson

### Mr. Bogner (6)

Jeffrey Adams  
Scott Bogner  
Wayne Bryant  
Lauryn Compton  
Ryan Fleischman  
Daniel Hernandez  
Marialena Martinez  
Sarah Reed

### Mrs. Candelaria (K)

Mikayla Aguilar  
Colby Compton  
Trenton Hannah  
Joseph Hesse

### Mr. Chambless (5)

David Cuyno  
Adrianna Jimenez  
Kaitlyn Miller  
Mitchell Nilan  
Matthew Somers

### Mrs. Dempsey (4)

Loren McCorkle  
Tanner Yakutis

### Mrs. Friedman (4)

Michael Sanchez

### Ms. Goodwin

Tyler Waring

### Mr. Hesse (1)

Timothy Hesse  
Erick McPherson  
Ashley Reilly

### Mrs. Hesse (K)

Jack Campos  
Mayetta Martel  
Alexys Sanders

### Ms. Hodges (3)

Jake Bigornia  
Hanah Miller

### Mrs. Mitz (1)

Mark Tiffany

### Mrs. Reed (5)

Tatiana Alonso  
Sean Martel  
Renee Robertson  
Ryan Rogers  
Michelle Tuthill

### Mrs. Seacat (K)

Christopher Stevens

### Ms. Subriar (2)

Corey Petersen

### Mrs. Tilson (3)

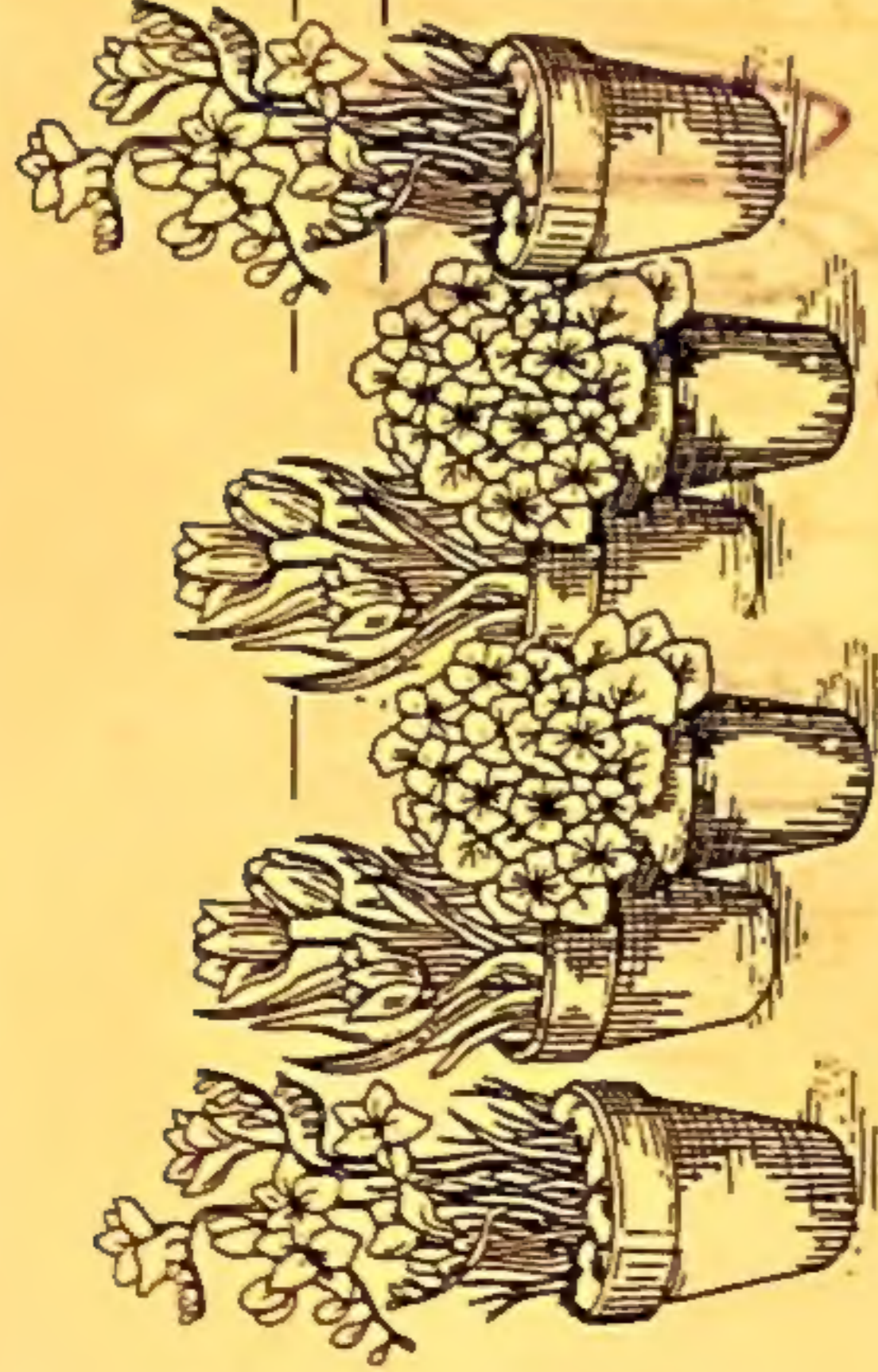
Christopher Porro



## April Awards

Teacher's Name	Student of the Month	Citizenship Award	Outstanding Effort	Writing Award
Mrs. Bernardini	Joe Robertson	Savannah Gurney	Dylan Masterson	Sarah Fleischman
Mr. Bogner	John Benke	Josh Ghilani	Mariah Hammett	Daniel Hernandez
Mrs. Candelaria	Sariah Roy	David Christian	Jason Delo	T.J. Hannah
Mr. Chambless	Taylor Russell	Amelia Blum	Amber Petersen	David Cuyne
Mrs. Dempsey	Quyntan Bledsoe	Michael Davis	Cody Sniffen	Lexie McNamee
Mrs. Friedman	Brent Heller	Krista Blevins	Pam Johnson	Ryan Bishop
Mr. Hesse	Timmy Hesse	Emily Kennedy	Parker Howard	Amanda Reilly
Mrs. Hesse	Mayetta Martel	Jared Blair	Noah Boone	Jack Campos
Ms. Hodges	Sara Kennedy	Jeremy Dauphinais	Jake Bigornia	Matthew Benke
Mrs. Mann	Lauren Schmelling	Danyll Copeland	Brandon McEachern	Bryson Phillippe
Mrs. Mitz	Jack Ingram	Sydney Boling	Shania Fleig	Jacquelyn Adams
Mrs. Reed	Ryan Lears	Mitchell Bledsoe	Cody Bryant	Priscilla Richards
Mrs. Seacat	Rebecca Line	Ashley Dollard	Ryan Plenert	Karson Scaccinoce
Mrs. Strader	Louie Ramirez	Brandon Sixkiller	Larkin Wight	Dustin Webb
Ms. Subriar	Corey Petersen	Melanie Culver	Travis Jackson	Jacob Armstrong
Mrs. Tilson	Emery Mello	Andy Hesse	Ryan Fauls	Kelsey Hulse
Ms. Williams	Kyler Leagon		Ian Hubbard	Chris Gardner
Mrs. Winchell	Sierra Meskin	Courtney Boone	Alysha Ellis	Bastian Eaton

# Friendly Hills School May, 2003



	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>SAT-9 Testing Window → 6</p> <p>BOE @ 7 pm</p>	<p>SAT-9 Testing Window → 7</p> <p>Spring Book Fair → 14</p> <p>8th grade trip to Museum of Tolerance (8 am - 7 pm)</p> <p><b>DAY OF THE TEACHER</b></p> <p>Kindergarten Registration (Conference Room from 12:30-3:00)</p> <p>2 teachers 2 teachers 4 ever</p>	<p>SAT-9 Testing Window → 8</p> <p>1st grade trip to Wetland Fair Hatchery (8:30-2:45)</p> <p>5th grade presentation @ LCMS 3:45</p> <p>StuAC (1st) @ 3:45</p>	<p>SAT-9 Testing Window → 9</p> <p>Junior High Track Meet @ TPJHS</p>
4	<p>SAT-9 Testing Window → 5</p> <p>Administrative Council for Kevin @ D.O. (8-noon)</p>	<p>Spring Book Fair → 13</p> <p>FHEA (parent group) @ 6:30 pm</p>	<p>Spring Book Fair → 15</p> <p>7th grade trip to California Science Center (7:15 am-3:30 pm)</p> <p>Writing Celebration (7-8 pm)</p>	<p>SAT-9 Testing Window → 10</p> <p>Books to Read</p>
11	<p>MOTHER'S DAY</p> <p>Happy Mother's Day</p>	<p>Administrative Council for Kevin @ YVES (8-noon)</p> <p>Spring Book Fair → Fire Drill @ 2:05</p>	<p>Spring Book Fair → 16</p> <p>Sports Reception</p>	<p>Spring Book Fair → 17</p>
18	<p>Classified Employees Week →</p>	<p>6th grade trip to Arrowhead Ranch Science Camp (all week)</p> <p>Kindergarten Registration (9-noon, 1-3 pm)</p>	<p>Kindergarten Registration (8 am - noon)</p>	<p>Spring Book Fair → 22</p>
25	<p>MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY</p> <p><b>POPE!</b></p>	<p>Staff Meeting @ 3:45</p>	<p>Wacky Wednesday 28</p> <p>Twin Day</p>	<p>Band Concert (limes 1st)</p>

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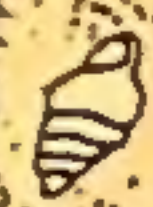
# June, 2003



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	2 Playground Ingress @ 9:20	4 Awards Assemblies Monthly/End of Year/Sports K, 3-4 @ 9:40, 5-6 @ 10:15, K-2 @ 2:30	5 6th grade trip to Knott's Soak City (9:30-7) Walk Through History (Gr. 4-7 @ 9:45)	Staff vs. 6th grade Basketball @ 10 am Walk Through History 7:00 pm	
8 Congratulations!	10 8th Grade Promotion @ 5:00 pm	11 8th grade overnight @ Indian Cove 7:30 am - 11:00 am Thurs.	12 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL Kindg. Promotion @ 11:45 6th Grade Promotion @ 1:30	13 Flag Day	14
15 Father's Day	16	17	18	19	20 1st Day of Summer
22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30			

First Day of School  
in the Fall is  
Wednesday, Aug 27

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